

DOST-ITDI inks pact with new vinegar acetator fabricator

The Industrial Technology Development Institute (DOST-ITDI) recently signed an agreement with a new industry partner which will commercially fabricate the ITDI vinegar acetator kit used in the production of vinegar.

ITDI signed the pact with Lozada Machineries Corporation (LMC), a private company engaged in fabrication of machines/equipment.

The licensing engagement is part of ITDI's promotional strategies which aims to increase the number of local fabricators thus decreasing national dependence on imported equipment.

The vinegar acetator kit can accelerate the traditional fermentation process of producing vinegar within one day instead of the conventional 30 to 90 days. It is easy to operate, production can start with a minimal initial volume of 200 liters (coconut water) and requires only a minimum processing area. Vinegar can be drawn out from the acetator at a minimum daily rate of 20 liters or 150 liter per drum. Other juices from tropical fruits like pineapple can also be used.

While LMC has signified its interest to fabricate the equipment, DOST-ITDI would like to invite other interested parties. They may submit the following requirements to a DOST Region Office near you for assessment:

1. Letter of Intent;
2. Company Profile;
3. Business Plan;
4. Registration of Business;
5. Audited Financial Statement; and
6. List of at least five clients with contact details.

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